

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS (AS ON AMENDED SHEETS ANNEXED TO IPER)

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (original) A fore posture gaiter for a horse, comprising a weight, characterized in that the gaiter is realized in such a way as to be placed above the knee.
2. (original) The gaiter as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the weight is disposed on the gaiter in such a way that it is directed according to a predefined orientation when the gaiter is fixed on the horse.
3. (original) The gaiter as claimed in claim 2, characterized in that the weight is disposed on the gaiter in such a way as to be directed towards the inside of the horse.
4. (currently amended) A hind posture gaiter for a horse, comprising a weight, characterized in that the gaiter is realized in such a way that the weight is disposed in the upper part of the gaiter ~~such that the weight is situated above the hock.~~
5. (original) The gaiter as claimed in claim 4, characterized in that it is realized in such a way as to be fixed below the hock.
6. (currently amended) The gaiter as claimed in claim 4 ~~or 5~~, characterized in that the weight is disposed on the gaiter in such a way that it is directed according to a predefined orientation when the gaiter is fixed on the horse.
7. (original) The gaiter as claimed in claim 6, characterized in that the weight is disposed on the gaiter in such a way as to be directed towards the inside of the horse.
8. (original) A use of a weighted fore posture gaiter for a horse, characterized in that the gaiter is fixed above the knee of the horse.
9. (currently amended) A use of a weighted hind posture gaiter for a horse, characterized in that the gaiter is fixed ~~in such a way that the weight is situated above the hock~~ below the hock.

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10. (canceled)

11. (new) The use of a weighted hind posture gaiter as claimed in claim 9, characterized in that the weight is set in the upper part of the gaiter.

12. (new) The gaiter as claimed in claim 5, characterized in that the weight is disposed on the gaiter in such a way that it is directed according to a predefined orientation when the gaiter is fixed on the horse.